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BEGIN SUMMARY: EMBOFF MET WITH FONOFF VERIFICATION DIRECTOR HAUBER AND HIS DEPUTY GRUENDEL TO DELIVER THE ANSWERS TO GRUENDEL'S QUESTIONS TRANSMITTED IN REFTEL. THE FRG WAS WELL SATISFIED WITH THESE REPLIES; BUT IT WISHED TO LEAVE NO DOUBT ABOUT ITS INSISTENCE THAT THE MOST FREQUENTLY USED ENTRY/EXIT POINTS MUST INCLUDE SOME NOT LOCATED IN THE FRG. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE FRG CONSIDERS THAT IT IS "DEFINITELY PREMATURE" TO MAKE A MORE SPECIFIC VERIFICATION PRESENTATION TO THE EAST IN VIENNA DURING THE PRESENT SESSION. IT ALSO FEELS IT IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE FOR FURTHER BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS TO TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE FRG BEFORE THE SECRET

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MATTER IS EVEN RAISED IN NATO. END SUMMARY

- 1. HAUBER DECLARED HIS OWN INTEREST IN THE IDEA OF PERMITTING EACH SIDE TO DECLARE ITS OWN ENTRY/EXIT POINTS. WHILE THE EAST MIGHT OBJECT TO ANY DISPARITY WHICH RESULTED FROM THIS CONCEPT, THE WEST COULD POINT OUT THAT THE DISPARITY AROSE BECAUSE OF THE DIFFERENCES IN SIZE BETWEEN OUR RESPECTIVE NGA TERRITORIES. IF THE EAST AGREED TO THIS DISPARITY BECAUSE THEY WANTED GREATER FLEXIBILITY FOR TROOP MOVEMENTS. SO MUCH THE BETTER. HAUBER WENT ON TO STATE HE WANTED TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING CONCERNING THE FRG POSITION ON WESTERN ENTRY/EXIT POINTS: WHILE THE FRG WAS AS YET UNCERTAIN HOW MANY SUCH POINTS THE WEST WOULD NEED. IT WAS "CRUCIAL" THAT THE POINTS OF ENTRY AND EXIT MOST FREQUENTLY USED BY U.S. TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT SHOULD INCLUDE NON-FRG PORTS/AIRFIELDS RATHER THAN HAVING THE NON-FRG PORTS/AIRFIELDS BE LIMITED TO THOSE "POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL POINTS WHICH INDIVIDUALS AND SMALLER GROUPS MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO USE WITHOUT REQUIRING SPECIAL PERMISSION."
- 2. HAUBER SAID HE HAD ALWAYS HAD DOUBTS ABOUT CHALLENGE INSPECTION. HE FOUND THE REASONING CONTAINED IN PARA 3 REFTEL PERSUASIVE AND AGREED WITH THE "ANALOGOUS CONCEPT OF A QUOTA OF AUTOMATIC INSPECTION" PRESENTED IN PARA 4 REFTEL. HAUBER ADDED THAT ALL OF THIS IS DISCUSSED IN THE FRG'S VERIFICATION STUDY.
- 3. HAD WE NOT DONE SO FIRST, HAUBER SAID HE HIMSELF HAD INTENDED TO BRING UP THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT THE WEST SHOULD MAKE A MORE SPECIFIC VERIFICATION PRESENTATION TO THE EAST IN VIENNA DURING THE PRESENT SESSION. THE FRG HAD ALREADY RECEIVED INDICATIONS FROM ITS VIENNA DELEGATION THAT THIS WAS THE U.S. DESIREA. HAUBER SAID THAT THE FRG IS STRONGLY OPPOSED TO DOING

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ANYTHING MORE ON VERIFICATION DURING THIS SESSION. THE WEST HAS ALREADY GIVEN OUR GENERAL IDEAS ON VERIFICATION ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS; SOVIET RESPONSE HAS BEEN "ZERO." IF THE U.S. TRIES TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS IDEA, HAUBER SAID THE FRG WOULD HAVE TO OPPOSE US.

4. THE FRG IS LESS ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO TREATING THE SUBJECT OF VERIFICATION IN NATO AT THIS TIME. HAUBER NOTED THAT THE FRG COULD NOT STOP THE U.S. FROM RAISING THE SUBJECT THERE EVEN IF IT WISHED TO DO SO. NEVERTHELESS, THE FRG THINKS IT FAR PREFERABLE TO PROCEED FIRST WITH BILATERAL US/FRG DISCUSSIONS ON VERIFICATION. THE FRG EXPECTS TO PRESENT ITS VERIFICATION STUDY TO THE U.S. DURING THE FIRST HALF OF JULY. THIS STUDY DOES NOT ONLY DISCUSS ENTRY/EXIT POINTS, BUT VERIFICATION IN ITS LARGER ASPECTS. BEFORE TRYING TO GET OTHER SECRET

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NATO COUNTRIES TO AGREE WITH A VERIFICATION POSITION TO PRESENT TO THE EAST, IT WOULD BE FAR BETTER FIRST TO "REFINE" THE FRG CONCEPT. THIS SHOULD BE DONE FIRST IN BILATERAL FRG DISCUSSIONS WITH THE U.S. AND THEN WITH THE UK. AFTER THIS HAS BEEN DONE, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO DISCUSS THE MATTER IN NATO. HILLENBRAND

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